

## BOOST THE DAIRIES

Milk Experts Tour Southwest Missouri to Promote Interest Among Farmers.

## A BAD FIRE AT WARRENSBURG

Two-Story Building Collapses and Resulting Flames Spread—Cold Weather Hindered Firemen.

A tour of the dairying communities of southwest Missouri to promote an increase in the products from dairy herds without adding to the cost to the farmer, was made recently under the direction of A. J. McDowell, dairy agent of the Frisco lines, Mr. McDowell is assisted by J. W. Watson, extension dairyman representing the state agricultural college at Columbia, and B. W. White of the Frisco department of development.

Demonstrations in milk testing and the preparing of the proper rations for dairy cattle with especial reference to the cheapest and best feed for the winter months, was given at each stop of the special car in which the tour is made. The itinerary included Seneca, Pierce City, Exeter, Cassville, Purdy, Verona, Marionville Billings, Mount Vernon and Greenfield.

### Warrensburg's Costly Fire.

The collapse of a two-story building, on the second floor of which a carload of flour had been stored, started one of the worst fires Warrensburg has had in years, at 6 o'clock in the evening. The building was occupied by A. Spless, grocer, and, the flames breaking out in it, spread quickly to Doolin's grocery, Hickman's clothing store and Montgomery & Goetz's drug store, in the same block on West Pine street. The loss on buildings and merchandise is estimated at \$60,000. The work of the firemen was hindered by the intense cold and the water thrown on the buildings froze in sheets as it fell.

### Held Up Salisbury Depot.

A masked robber entered the Salisbury depot at Salisbury, recently and knocked on the ticket window. When the window was opened by D. O. Winn, the night operator, the robber pointed a revolver at him and demanded all of his money. Winn gave him \$5 or \$80 and a pay check for \$32. Winn's brother, a helper in the station, was ordered to put up his hands and turn his face to the wall. The robber also forced the operator to raise his hands and turn his face to the wall. The robber then left the office.

### Journalists' Week May 3.

Journalism week this year at the University of Missouri, May 3 to 7, inclusive, according to recent announcement, will have a "Made in Missouri" program. Publishers, editors, reporters, magazine writers, illustrators, cartoonists, special correspondents and representatives of other fields of journalism resident in Missouri or formerly of Missouri will constitute the speakers.

### A Stricken Family.

Miss Martha Cole, a young teacher of Montgomery, died and was buried there recently. Her death was the third in the Cole family within a short time. First the mother, then the father, James Cole, died.

### Blowing Nose Caused Death.

Dr. I. A. Cottingham, 55, a physician of Carthage is dead after a 3-day illness. While suffering from a cold Dr. Cottingham blew his nose violently, bursting a blood vessel. This caused his death, according to the attending physician.

### Corn Show Prizes Awarded.

In the state corn show at Columbia the following prizes were awarded: Silver trophy cup for best ten ears of corn, also best ten ears of white corn, also best ten ears yellow corn, E. J. Mahony, Sikeston; best acre yield, boys' class, K. Porter Graham, Centerville; champion bushel yellow corn, F. M. Riebel, Arbella; champion bushel white corn, J. F. Roberts, Arbella; best ten ears yellow corn, boys' class, Clifford Clark, Rea; best single ear and single ear championship, Clark Riebel, Arbella; best single ear white corn, Thomas Lawson, Rea; best peck of oats, S. T. Mathes, Eagleville.

### Old Coal Miner Dead.

Jeffer Mason, 70 years old, one of the oldest coal miners in point of service in Missouri, was found dead in his working channel in the coal mine at Bevier. Death was caused by heart disease.

### Missourian Hanged Himself.

The body of Paul Bondurant, about 28 years old, was found hanging in an elevator shaft at Kirksville recently.

### Rooster Sets Eating Record.

A Rhode Island Red rooster belonging to Miss Elizabeth Hodge ate 1,115 grains of corn in thirty minutes at the Boone county poultry show at Columbia. The bird was fed for the first time in two days. So far as known this is the world's record.

### Fire Sweeps Savannah.

Five stores on the south side of the public square at Savannah were destroyed by fire the other day. The loss is estimated at \$75,000, principally insured.

## VICTORY FOR THE SALOONS

Excelsior Springs Decides at Recent Election to Retain Bars—Wet Majority Was 35.

Something went wrong with the plans of the "drys" at Excelsior Springs. Everything went right for the "wets." When the votes were counted in the local option election after the polls closed, it was found that Excelsior Springs had voted "wet" by thirty-six ballots out of approximately a thousand.

The "drys" used every means in their power to win and they made a great start. They had their workers out early and the streets were a-flutter with prohibition ribbons. Women swarmed on every corner and earnest men kept on the move, getting the vote out.

The "wets" had a brass band, but as far as the eye could reach that was all. They did little talking, but much voting. They made no claims. They set out to wreck the "dry" machine and they did it. The "drys" suspected them of crooked work, but if anything of that nature occurred there is no one to swear to it. The "wets" indignantly deny that they cheated. They say if there was anything wrong with the election the "drys" are to blame.

"Wet" workers complained they were harassed by women and they undoubtedly were. The women were with them everywhere. The farmers came as they promised. Richmond and Liberty sent their feminine workers.

It was a quiet, orderly day. The "drys" had all the enthusiasm, but they didn't have the knockout punch. It isn't too much to say that both sides were surprised. The "wets" admitted they feared the outcome and a few of the optimistic placed their majority at ten votes.

## URGES FARM LOAN BANKS

President of Illinois Mortgage Company Discusses Finances With the Farmers at Columbia.

A slight man, only 33 years old, but president of two banks in Joliet, Ill., whose assets he increased from one-half million dollars to five million dollars in just six years, gave the visitors to "Farmers' week" his answer to the farm credits problem the other night.

George Woodruff, the young man referred to, brought his audience the answer that the Southern Commercial Congress sent him around the world to get, and the answer that he has proven effective in his own institutions. He calls it "the rout of the rotten mortgage system" of the country.

When a Joliet farmer wants to make a long-time mortgage loan, he goes to the Woodruff Trust company. The trust company accepts no deposits. It is a mortgage bank. The rate of interest is 6 per cent. In addition to this he pays on the principal by the amortization plan. This makes the interest about two and a half per cent higher. The loan is made for twenty years. The farmer pays about \$36 a year on it for the twenty years, and that is the end of it. The last payment cancels the mortgage. Just as a 20-payment life insurance policy is matured.

Under the mortgage bank plan, the banker explained the present disadvantages of the mortgage are eliminated. The farmer has no worries except keeping up his interest payments. He does not have to renew his mortgage every three or five years, paying a new commission each time for making the loan and paying for bringing his abstract down to date, and he does not have to worry about being "squeezed out."

### Palmyra Woman Dies.

Mrs. H. S. Potter of Palmyra died recently. She was the wife of H. S. Potter, formerly judge of the county court.

### Confess to Olio Frauds.

Three men pleaded guilty in the federal court at St. Louis for violation of the federal law requiring the payment of a tax on colored oleomargarine. These three were the first of forty defendants to be placed on trial.

### Cow's Attack Kills Missourian.

Isaac S. Presley, 53 years old, is dead at his home in Springfield from an injury to the skull sustained on November 10, 1914, when he was attacked by a long-horned cow on his ranch near Oklahoma City. Presley was tossed thirty feet by the enraged animal.

### Cannery Elect Officers.

The eighth annual convention of the Missouri Valley Cannery Association was concluded at Springfield with the choosing of Kansas City for the next meeting place and the election of these officers: R. B. Gillette, Marionville, president; H. N. Brown, Odessa, vice president; J. P. Harris, Prairie Grove, Ark., secretary and treasurer.

### Bandits Frightened Away.

An unsuccessful attempt was made recently to rob the Miners' bank at Granby, a small town in Newton county. Two robbers, while preparing to blow the safe, were frightened away. They abandoned a kit of burglar's tools.

### Early Settler Dies.

B. W. Speece is dead at Carthage. He was 85 years old and came here shortly after the war. He formerly was a merchant and was active in politics.

## Leopard Plush Motor Coat With Hood



NO wonder the devotees of motoring are braving the coldest weather. They may envelop themselves from crown to toe in cold-proof coats having hoods attached made of the same material as the coat. The fur fabrics that have had so great a vogue this season have been developed in patterns especially suited to midwinter motor coats. These plushes are used also for lining coats of other fabrics, and are as warm as skins.

Fetching and unusual is the coat of leopard plush pictured here. The youthful motorist looks as cozy as a kitten in it. It is a long straight garment of the simplest outlines, comfortably roomy. The sleeves and yoke are cut in one, and the skirt part allows plenty of room in walking.

A broadtail plush is used to make deep plain cuffs, and as an inlay on a small neckpiece that fastens about the throat. The hood is a close-fitting cap with a wide bonnetlike border turned back at the front and trimmed with a flat bow of broadtail. The coat is double breasted, fastened with a large button at the top and in the front.

Smart coats for warmer climates are made with more concessions to new style features and allow themselves a little frivolity of composition. Drop yokes and flaring skirts, not so long as the figures are noticeable among them. It is safe to predict that with things military imposing themselves everywhere else, the newly designed motor coats for spring will reflect something of military modes.

But to face the sterner requirements

of the passing season in the North, coats of plush lined with a plain wool fabric, or of a wool fabric lined with plush, with hood attached, promise both comfort and style. And with them goes the comfortable thought that they may be made at a moderate price, and that there is no end of durability in them.

### Discard Small Turban.

In Paris the leaders of fashion have discarded the small turban hat for the larger models of white satin. These stunning hats appear in a wide variety of shapes, with gracefully rolling brims or brims which flare more on one side than the other. The favorite, however, is the wide, straight-brimmed sailor, smoothly covered with white satin of a good quality. These are trimmed with a simple bow of white satin, the ends of which are sometimes fringed. Fantasies of plume appear on a few models, but the majority are simply trimmed with the satin or moire.

The crowns of these hats are rather low, and the tops are unlined and scantily gathered about the edge.

### A Fur Tip.

Two furs are very often combined in the small neckpieces and muffs—beaver and seal, seal and ermine, seal and leopard, ermine and monkey, breitschwanz and ermine or monkey, etc.; but the best looking sets shown are in one fur.

## Handsome Coiffure Ornaments



IT is wonderful what miracles of improvement in looks can be brought about by means of the coiffure and its decorations. Only beautiful and audacious youth can afford to wear plain, severe styles of hairdressing. Waves that mitigate the austerity of straight lines, curls which suggest femininity, are almost invariably becoming. And aside from becomingness, a well-groomed appearance (more evident in the coiffure than anywhere) has a compelling charm in itself.

When the least and most tasteful of hair ornaments are worn, to set off the chic coiffure, a chance is given for the exercise of individual taste. There are many pretty hair ornaments, unpretentious and elegant, that any clever woman can fashion for herself. Nearly all of the new ones are made of strands of small rhinestones, used in single or double bands, about the head, in the manner of Greek bands. But with them flowers, feathers, or velvet ornaments are used.

Two of the best designs are shown here and one hardly needs more than the picture to be able to go about copying them. One consists of a rhinestone band sewed to a fine silk-covered wire which terminates in a loop at each end. A hairpin thrust through

these loops holds the band in place and is concealed under a strand of hair.

Fastened on the band at one side is a cluster of grayish blue full-blown roses of velvet, with small sprays of tiny rose foliage in sage green. One might wear such subdued colors with almost any costume. The sparkle of the rhinestones gives life to the pretty affair, and altogether its beauty makes an instant appeal.

The second ornament is made of a narrow bias strip of cerise velvet, hemmed in a very narrow hem at each side, into which a fine shirring wire is run. It is mounted with rhinestones supported by silk-covered wire, as in the first ornament described. The velvet terminates in a long pointed ear, outlined with a strand of rhinestones.

Rhinestones are to be had set in tiny bands, and sell at a moderate price by the yard in dry goods stores. Other bead passementeries and strands of pearl beads are used for making hair ornaments, also narrow fancy ribbons and braids. If in making the last ornament described, bright green velvet, instead of cerise color, is used the handsomest of decorations for white hair is the result.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

## WANTED TO CONTINUE GAME

Secretary Lane Couldn't Understand Defeat in Golf While He Had Clubs to Play.

Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, was invited the other day to go out and play golf.

"I can't play it," said Daniels; "I made up my mind some time ago not to go in for golf until they change the rules."

"How do you mean?"

"Well, until they change the rules and make it as good a game as ahfny."

That recalls the tale they tell about the time Franklin K. Lane, now secretary of the interior, first undertook the mastery of golf.

Two enthusiasts over the game lent a large set of clubs to Lane and they played a round. When they had reached the last hole Lane walked over to the nearest teeing place and began attempts to drive off with each club in his sack, one after another.

"The game's all over," they explained, gently.

"Well," asked Lane, picking up another kind of club, "can't I play my hand out?"—New York Sun.

### The Conqueror's Return.

Mr. Mouatt, born tired, also father of a large family, spent most of his married life in bed, while Mrs. Mouatt worked in the glass factory, just to keep things moving. One morning Mr. Mouatt became impregnated with the large idea of getting out of bed at last and offering his services to his country.

On calling at Mrs. Mouatt's one day last week a lady found her in tears.

"Why, Mrs. Mouatt, what is the matter? Has your husband been wounded?"

"No, miss. (Loud sniffles.)

"Well, dear me! I hope he has not been killed!"

"Oh, it's worse than that, miss! 'E's coming 'ome!"—Judge.

### Their Pastor's Faults.

Warden—So you got rid of your pastor?

Elder—Yes; he was a good man, but he was too dry in his preaching—always giving us a history of the Jews. But we don't like our new pastor much, either.

Warden—What's the matter with him?

Elder—Well, he preaches with tears in his voice all the time.

Warden—I see. The old pastor was to historical, and the new one too hysterical.

### Poor Doggy!

"Say, mister, will you give me five cents?"

"What for?"

"I want to buy a loaf of bread for my starving family."

"Oh, certainly, in that case. Here's your nickel."

"Thank you, sir. Now, if it isn't asking too much, will you give me a dime more?"

"What for?"

"I want to buy some meat for my dog."

### Return of the Walnut.

The wood of our fathers, the good old "black walnut" that was reckoned the supreme cabinet material of 50 years ago, has come back. True, they call it "American walnut" now, and give it a shiny finish and try to hide the deep, purplish brown which is the true glory of the stuff; but it is the same old wood in spite of all. May it soon get back its ancient name and more than its ancient popularity.

### Gay Old Dogs.

"You can't teach an old dog new tricks."

"Oh, I don't know. They all want to try the tango and the maxixe."

### A woman tires of being married as easily as she does of not being.

A man looks cheap when his wife calls him "dear" in public.

## SYRUP OF FIGS FOR A CHILD'S BOWELS

It is cruel to force nauseating, harsh physic into a sick child.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Adv.

### A New Cure.

A bedpost has not generally been regarded so much as an eye-opener as an eye-shutter, but if a story that comes from Boston is true—and what story from Boston was ever untrue?—our oculists should go to school to the handmaids of Morpheus. Mr. Frank H. Hayes, who has been stone blind for nine years, so the tale runs, struck his head violently against the bedpost on arising, and was astounded a few minutes afterward to find that his sight had been entirely restored. We do not know whether the virtue of this cure lay in the bedpost or in the fact that it was a Boston bedpost, but if it was really effected in this way there would seem to be a good deal in such inanimate objects not heretofore dreamed of in the philosophy of optics. One of the morals of this modern miracle would seem to be that "knocking" is sometimes a very efficacious process, and that the only way to make some folks see things is by knocking them into their heads.—Baltimore Sun.

### Khaki for the Navy.

Naval medical authorities, after experience gained in naval operations at Vera Cruz, are of the opinion that white clothing, particularly white hats, are too easily penetrated by the sun's rays and are therefore unsuitable for use in the tropics. It is recommended that only khaki or forestry neutral clothing be supplied to the navy for landing parties.—The Pathfinder.

### "In the Beginning."

"Say, Adam," remarked Eve at the breakfast table, "I need a new gown. What kind shall I get?"

"Oh, don't bother me," growled Adam, who was trying to peruse the morning paper. "I don't care a fig what kind you get. But as it's the first of the year, perhaps it would be just as well to turn over a new leaf."

### Solved.

"Professor Grouch has at last solved the problem of abolishing distress in the world."

"What's his scheme?"

"To starve the poor off the face of the earth."

### The fellow who is good at making excuses isn't very valuable for anything else.—Toledo Blade.

## Above Everything Else

a well-fed brain and nervous system are essential to success.

Brain workers especially need food in the morning that will not overload the stomach.

Much depends on the start one gets each day, as to mental vigor and how he may expect to accomplish the work on hand.

He can't be alert and have a clear-working brain and steady nerves on a heavy breakfast which requires a lot of vital energy in digesting it.

## Grape-Nuts

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